



# CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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**AGENDA TITLE:** Appointments to the Grape Bowl Ad Hoc Committee

**MEETING DATE:** February 1, 2006

**PREPARED BY:** Parks and Recreation Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That Council, by motion action, concur with the recommended appointments to the Grape Bowl Ad Hoc Committee.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** At its meeting of November 2, 2005, Council approved the Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan. Phase I of the Plan states the following:

*"Explore the opportunities, constraints, and costs associated with upgrading the Grape Bowl. Encourage public input and community involvement in the decision process. The scope of the project should not be limited to only accessibility, but improvement based on the desired use. Interim remediation measures should be discussed in this phase. The recommended forum for these discussions is the Parks and Recreation Commission. A special ad hoc committee shall be formed to obtain community input regarding future use and improvements under the direction of the Parks and Recreation Commission. The commission shall invite representatives from Lodi Unified School District and other school-affiliated organizations to be participating members of the ad hoc committee. All committee appointees will be subject to Council approval. The commission will make a recommendation to the Council. This phase should be completed by June of 2006."*

There were a total of 15 applications received for the Grape Bowl Ad Hoc Committee. The Commission collectively agreed to limit the number of those who would be assigned to a committee seat to nine – a number thought to be effectively workable for this kind of ad hoc committee. The selection process was similar to that used for the City's Budget/Finance Committee appointments. Each of the five Parks and Recreation Commissioners was responsible for appointing his/her one personal choice to a committee seat for a total of five. The remaining four were discussed and chosen by consensus of the Commission, bringing the total of the Ad Hoc Committee to nine. The Commission determined the applicant's qualifications based on personal application review and discussion. Diversification of skills and interests were important in the selection process. It is recommended that the City Council concur with the following appointments.

**Grape Bowl Ad Hoc Committee**

Don Bricker	Bill Meehleis
Richard Dean	Russ Munson
Ed DeBenedetti	Terry Piazza
Dean Devine	Kevin Suess
Jack Fiori	

**NOTE:** 15 applicants; published in Lodi News-Sentinel 12/9/05; application deadline 1/9/06

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** None required

Tony C. Goehring  
Parks and Recreation Director

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**APPROVED:**   
Blair King, City Manager

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